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Truly "The City Wonderful" — Great in its growth and great in its achievements.

In 1835, within the memory of men now living, Chicago had a population of 500.

In 1910 it had increased to nearly 2,500,000, a growth greater than that of any city in the history of mankind. In 1850 she was twentieth in population of cities in the United States; today she is second and will, if present conditions continue, become the first at a time not far remote.

The secret of this wonderful growth is partly found in the city's commanding position at the southern end of Lake Michigan at a point where the railways crossing the country from the East to the Northwest naturally touch, and where the southern roads connecting with the Great Lakes find their natural terminal.

So situated, the city has become the greatest collecting and distributing center in the world. She is easily the greatest of all railway centers, being the terminus of 32 railway lines operating 65,000 miles of main track. She is, also, one of the greatest of ports, the aggregate tonnage of her harbors in 1906 being 15,405,500 tons.

Chicago is the largest cattle market in the world and has the largest packing houses. Single day's receipts of the Union Stock Yards show 44,445 cattle, 72,610 hogs, and 59,362 sheep.

In manufactures she is surpassed only by London and by New York, and her convenient location with respect to the iron ore regions of Lake Superior and the great coal fields of Illinois, together with her advantage as the foremost collecting and distributing center of the continent, insures her future as a manufacturing city.

She leads commercially, owing much of her greatness to the energy, the daring enterprise, and the untiring zeal of her business men. She has the largest trade in agricultural implements, hardware, men's furnishing goods, ready-made clothing, and in many other lines; and, in her immense mail trading business, leads all other cities.

She has the largest and finest retail department store in the world, and has produced the prince of all merchants.

Chicago has more Germans than any city in Germany, Berlin and Hamburg excepted; more Bohemians than any city except Prague; more Scandinavians than any city except Stockholm; and more Jews than can be found in Palestine.

After her baptism by fire in 1871 her citizens met the situation with a spirit and courage that overcame all obstacles. 7,540 buildings were destroyed, and \$200,000,000 lost; but in three years the whole burned district was rebuilt, and the city set out upon a career of progress and growth unexampled in the history of all the world.

Though her natural location as the industrial, commercial, manufacturing, and agricultural capital of this nation has been generally recognized, few have realized that Chicago is rapidly becoming one of the most beautiful of cities.

Even now her system of parks and boulevards is unexcelled by that of any city in the country, and the great improvements and additions now under way are indeed the most important in the city's history.

The new park now being created adjacent to the down town business district, and stolen from the waters of Lake Michigan, will be the pride of the city.

The proposed boulevard drive to be built in the lake, connecting the Lake Front Park (Grant Park) with Jackson Park will give the city an almost continuous parkway along its entire 30 miles of lake shore.

In strange contrast to the congested down town district are the beautiful residential and suburban districts of the city. While the former aims more for utility and business convenience, the latter attest the cultivated tastes of her citizens and their strong love of home. All that wealth and refinement can bestow are found in the beautiful homes adorning her boulevards and suburban districts.

During the last decade Chicago has made unusual advances as an educational and musical center. Her great Chicago University is one of the most liberally endowed institutions of learning in the world and its 31 buildings and 100 acres of ground are valued at \$25,000,000.

If space permitted, mention might be made of other great universities and colleges located in Chicago or her suburbs, of the many great professional schools and musical colleges, of the Art Institute, the Thomas Orchestra, and other educational influences contributing so much to Chicago's social greatness and power.

He who would study America must come to Chicago, where beats the heart of this great, nervous, fast growing and ambitious nation. From out this whirlpool of business old Father Time emerges, battle-scarred and bruised, for here his passage is jealously contended, and every step vigorously opposed.

No mere idler can be happy in Chicago; here is the spirit of work, and every man, woman and child feel it.

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NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING.

This beautiful building covers an entire city block, is built of granite and was completed in 1905 at cost of \$5,000,000. The dome is 288 feet high.



CHICAGO IN 1833

Seventy-five years ago the place where now stands a city of over 2,000,000 people was little more than a trading post. Indians were numerous but white men few. No other city on earth has grown with such rapidity.



THE NEW CHICAGO AND NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY STATION

This splendid structure of classic design is, with one exception, the largest railway terminal in the United States and cost upwards of \$20,000,000. It has a capacity for handling a quarter of a million people a day and occupies practically four entire city blocks. The train shed is 840 feet in length and 320 feet in width and contains 16 tracks, each with a capacity of 15 cars.



ENTRANCE TO LINCOLN PARK AND NEW "PAY-AS-YOU-ENTER" CAR

One of the principal entrances to Lincoln Park, which is located on the North Side. It is one of the most popular of the city parks, contains 452 acres bordering on the lake shore and has the attraction of the great Lincoln Park Zoo.

THE PEOPLES
GAS BUILDING
(Corner Adams St.
and Michigan
Boulevard.)

This building, 21 stories high, is one of the most substantial and imposing office buildings in the U. S. It fronts on Michigan Boulevard and Adams Street and is opposite the Art Institute. The Gas Co. reserves eight floors for its own use and in the space remaining there are about 1000 offices.





LA SALLE STREET STATION

This great station, almost in the heart of the downtown section, is the terminal for five different railways—the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific; Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, (New York Central Lines); New York, Chicago and St. Louis, (Nickel Plate); Chicago and Eastern Illinois, (Frisco Lines); and Chicago, Indiana and Southern.















































































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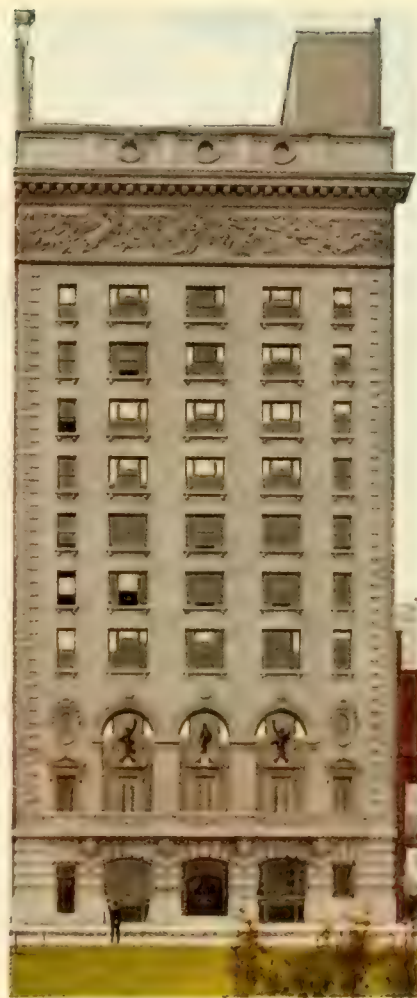
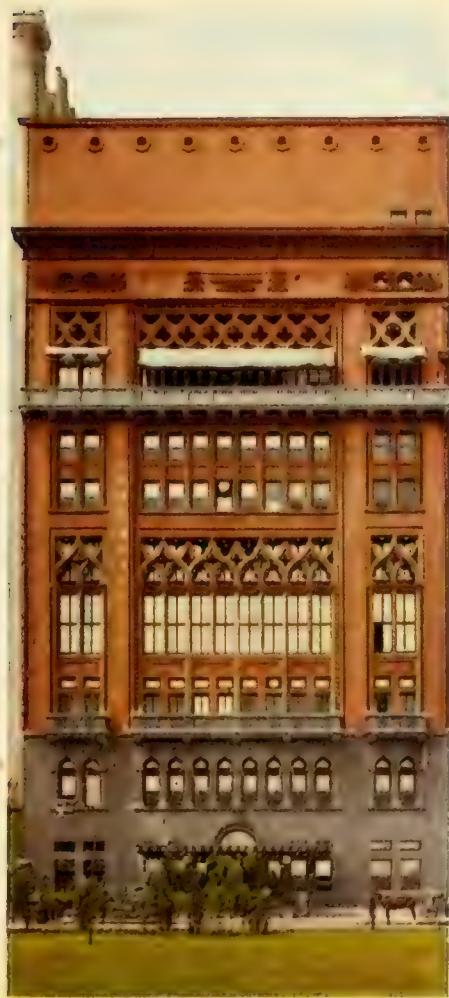


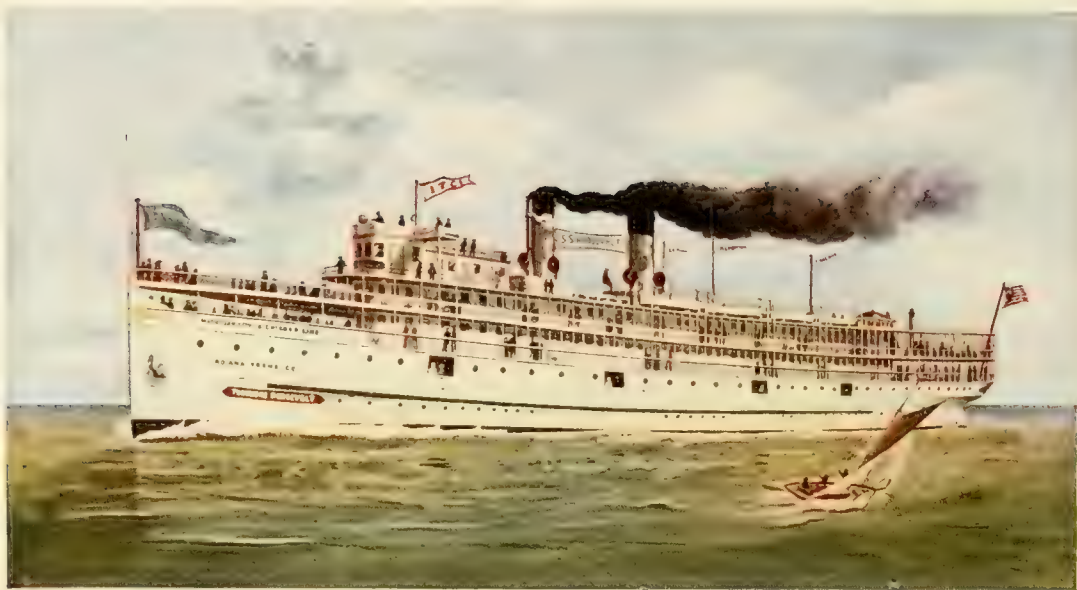


























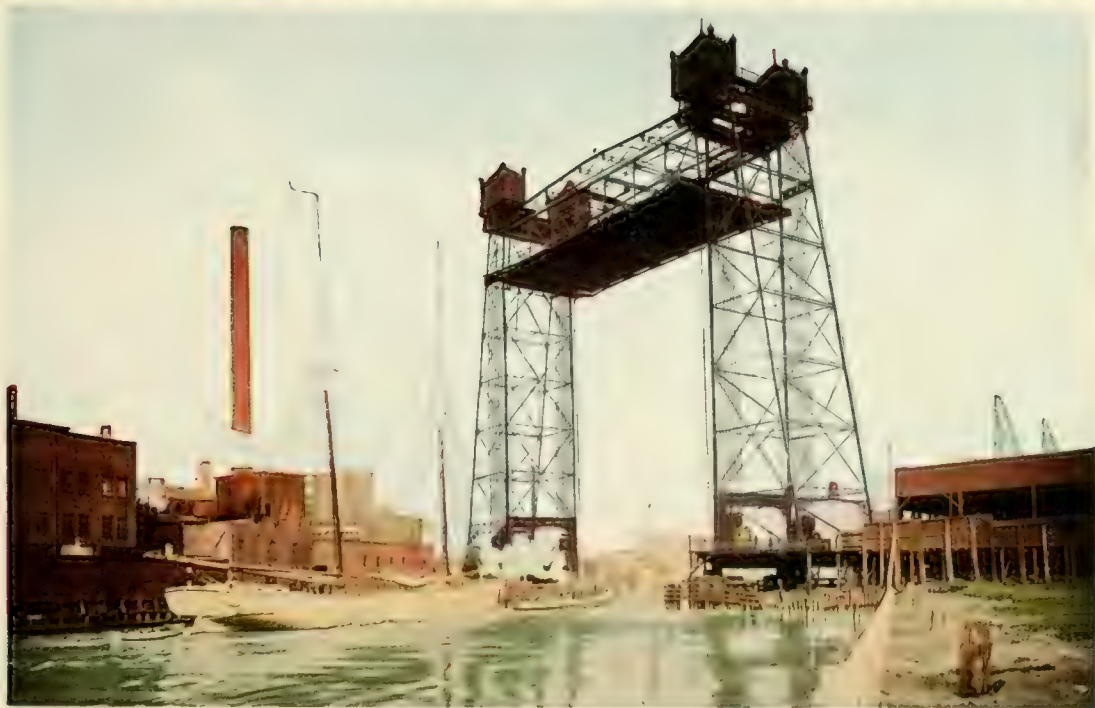








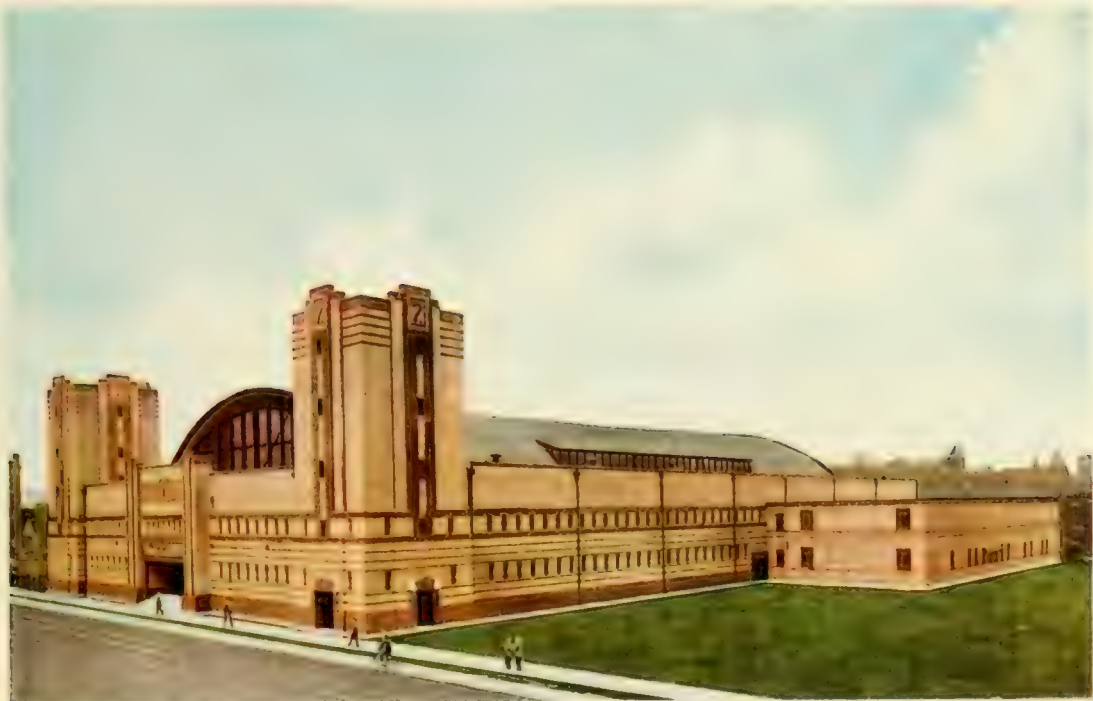


























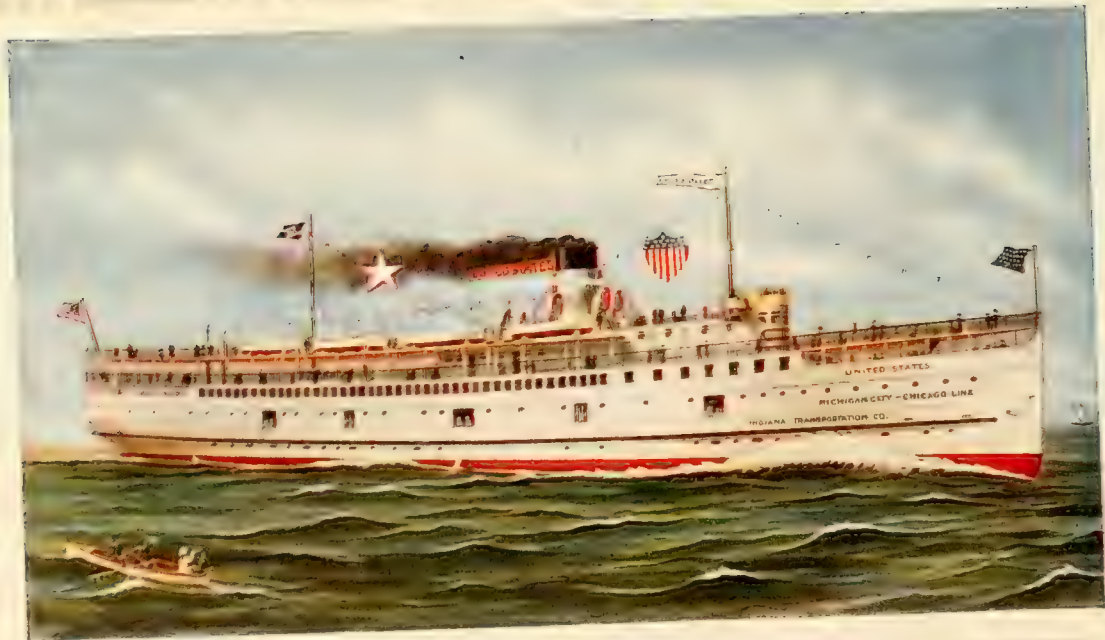
















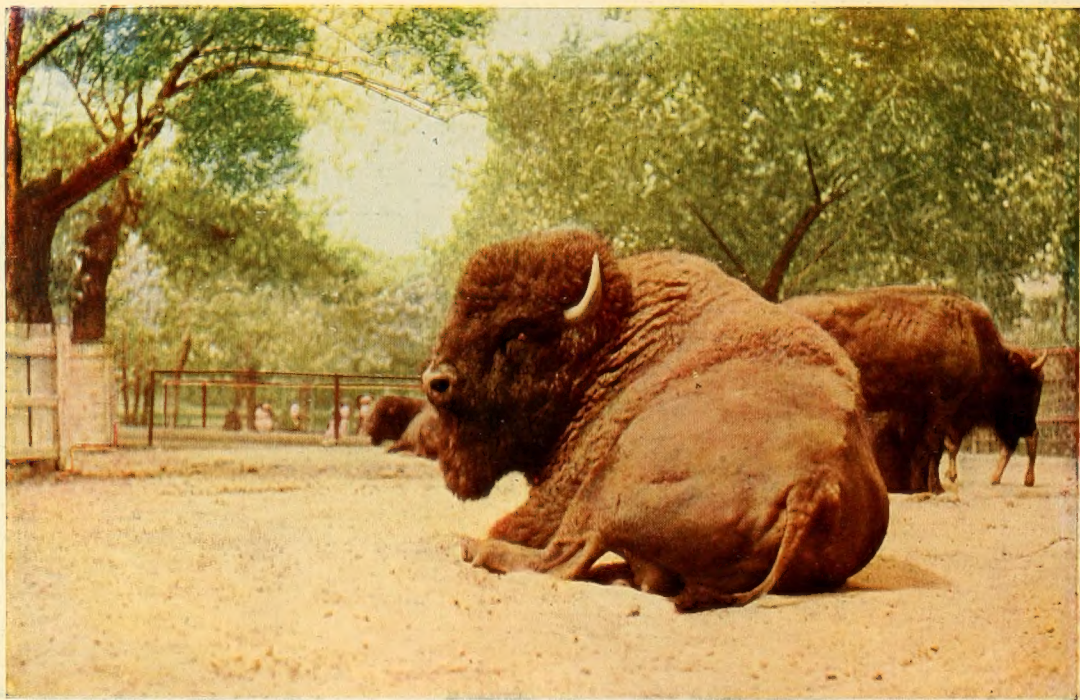






THE CHUTES, WHITE CITY.

Surely it would bring a laugh out of a mummy to take a ride down the Chutes at the White City. Anyone troubled with melancholia may get the blue ghost jolted out of him by shooting down this incline into the water.



KING OF THE LINCOLN PARK HERD OF BUFFALO

No one of the herd essays further to dispute his kingship. He holds undisputed sway over all the members of the herd composed of ten cows, five bulls and one calf, and he casts a paternal glance on the latter who was born in the Park.

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